



HEMPFIELD REC SKI & SNOWBOARD CLUB



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1. GET READY for 2012-13 SKI/SNOWBOARD SEASON

Our club program will consist of four trips, all inclusive, to Roundtop Mt. Resort and will be held on the following **Sundays: Jan 6, 13, 20 & 27**. All buses will leave from Centerville Middle School at 2:30 PM, enabling the club to start earlier & return home earlier on a less crowded day. Available for purchase is a four-session program, called the Multi Visit Card (MVC), unlimited night skiing called the Night Club Card (NCC) & the Night Season Pass. An Advantage Card may also be purchased with the MVC & the NCC. **Any missed sessions must be made up this 2012-13 ski season. If you miss a trip, bus transportation cost cannot be refunded. The total cost of the four bus trips/administration this year is \$80 and is included in all package prices.**

2. LEARN TO SKI OR SNOWBOARD AND HAVE FUN

This offer is good to any middle or high school student, both skiers and snowboarders. Last year more than 60% of our participants were beginners or first timers. Do not get the feeling that everyone else is an expert and you are the only beginner. Other family members may also participate, however, bus transportation is only offered to school students. The advisors believe this will be a great way for students and their families to learn to ski/board properly at the least expensive rate. For those with more experience, Advanced lessons will be available. Whether the student is new to the sport or advanced, the program will provide much fun and fellowship with other students. The instructors guarantee that beginners will have the ability to ride the quad chair on the beginner slope before the end of the first night.

3. PROGRAMS: 3 Programs with many options

A. MULTI VISIT CARD (MVC)

This is a 4-session program known as a MVC. If a student misses a scheduled trip, his or her MVC may only be used after the first scheduled bus trip and then any evening after 4:00 PM or any time during a non-holiday weekday, and **ONLY** at Roundtop Mt. Resort. The program cost includes the bus transportation cost of \$80 for our 4 scheduled trips.

B. NIGHT CLUB CARD (NCC –Unlimited evening skiing)

Once again this year Roundtop Mt. Resort will offer unlimited night skiing called a **Night Club Card**. Starting January 2, 2012 you may ski or board as many times as you like, any night after 4:00PM, including ALL holidays nights (on Sundays you may start at 3:00pm). Your NCC may be used at Roundtop, Liberty & Whitetail Resorts. This program also includes the bus transportation cost of \$80 for our 4 scheduled trips.

C. NIGHT SEASON PASS

This NEW program will allow you to ski during the evening, however, you may start skiing as soon as the season opens (no waiting for January 2nd) and during the Christmas holiday at any of the above three resorts. Lately the resorts have opened as early as Thanksgiving. This program also includes the bus transportation cost of \$80 for our 4 scheduled trips.

Additional Options:

- 1. An Advantage Card (worth \$119)** is an add-on which is **ONLY** available for the MVC & the NCC programs. This allows the owner to purchase lift, lessons & rentals at 40% off the window price **ANY TIME**, holidays, including Christmas, as soon as you receive the card from your advisor. Every 6th time you use your Advantage card add on, you'll receive a **FREE 8 hour lift ticket!!** Advantage cards are good at Roundtop, Liberty & Whitetail Mt. Resorts and for special discounts at Stratton Mountain, VT. **This add-on for the MVC costs \$25 and for the NCC add on costs only \$20. Not available with the Night Season Pass.**
- 2. The Protection Policy**, a prorated reimbursement in the event of injury or sickness, may also be added to the MVC & NCC for **\$8.00** and to the Night Season Pass for **\$25. Under no circumstances will Roundtop Mt. Resort issue credit (no refunds) unless this option is purchased.**

****NOTE: Roundtop Mt. Resort will charge \$25 for any program changes after November 1, 2012.**

Example: A student signs up for the Lift, Lessons & Rentals and receives ski/snowboard equipment for a Christmas present. The student no longer needs rentals so in order to receive a credit of \$30 or \$40 (depending on the program) he/she must forfeit \$25 of that credit toward this fee. The student would then receive either \$15 or \$5 of credit, not cash.

Other family members & friends are welcome but must provide their own transportation and must sign up through **Ski Tunes Ski Shop** at www.skitunesPA.com to receive the same discounts. **Neither the advisors nor Hempfield Rec will be held responsible for other family members involved in these programs.** Children 3 & under will take special lessons with the "Children's Learning Center." Check with Ski Roundtop, Children Learning Center, 432-9631, for further information.

4. TRANSPORTATION, TIME & DATES:

Regardless of the package selected, our club will provide transportation for ONLY FOUR evening trips to Roundtop Mt. Resort (**Jan 6, 13, 20 & 27**). If cancellations occur, trips will be rescheduled at a later date, which may occur on Sunday or a Saturday. For those students interested in lessons, either FOUR or an unlimited amount will be provided depending on the type of package purchased.

The buses will leave from the front of Centerville Middle School at **2:30PM SHARP**. We will begin skiing/snowboarding at 3:45 PM and should be ready for our lessons at 4:30PM. **Parents MUST be at Centerville by 10:00PM SHARP to pick up their children. Parents, Be Aware & Please Don't Be Late!** School rules are in effect while students are on our trips. If you create any problems during the trip, you will be not allowed on the next trip. If you are suspended out of school at any time during the year, you will lose all privileges for all trips. In addition, out-of-school suspension may result in loss of some or all of your money. If any problems occur on a trip, the advisors have right to revoke any & all privileges of that student.

5. LESSON INFORMATION:

In order to decrease the number of injuries on the slopes, **ALL SKIERS AND SNOWBOARDERS ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE LESSONS UNTIL THEY HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED LEVEL 6.** At this point, the student has the option of not taking a lesson providing their parents agree with a signed permission form, (which is available on the Wiki site) signed & given to Cristine Maser before the next trip. This allows the participant to ski/board all slopes at Ski Roundtop as long as they are not using Roundtop's rental equipment. Group lessons only last approximately 1 hour. **Remember, you must take lessons until you have successfully completed Level 6, which will be determined by Ski Roundtop instructors. Parents, if you are not sure whether your child has reached this level, put your mind at ease, be safe not sorry & sign them up for lessons.** If any student not at this level fails to take a lesson, he or she **WILL LOSE ALL PRIVILEGES AND NOT BE PERMITTED ON THE BUS FOR THE FOLLOWING TRIP. PLEASE TAKE NOTE!!** Your child's safety is our concern. Four lessons through our program cost \$40, but if you have to buy one lesson at Ski Roundtop it will cost you \$38. Note: If you have never skied or snowboarded before, it will take you approximately 8 lessons with practice to reach level 6.

The class levels listed below have been designed to place skiers and riders of similar abilities into a class best suited to their needs. If you are not sure of your class level, please ask an instructor.

Level 1- First time on skis or snowboard.

**Level 2- Ski: Skis in a cautious wedge. Able to turn, stop and control speed.
Board: Able to do a skidded traverse in both directions and stop.**

**Level 3- Ski: Makes linked round wedge turns in both directions on easiest trails.
Board: Beginning to make direction changes.**

**Level 4- Ski: Tails of skis parallel at some point in turn. Skis easiest trails with confidence.
Board: Turns both directions with speed control. Working on linking turns.**

**Level 5- Ski: Skis in a wide stance parallel on easier intermediate trails.
Board: Links skidded turns with good speed control, shape and rhythm.**

**Level 6- Ski: Skis in a narrow parallel stance on smooth intermediate and advanced trails. Uses pole touch comfortably. Must be able to stop in a second's notice.
Board: Comfortable doing skidded turns in control on smooth intermediate trails. Beginning to carve trails. Must be able to stop in a second's notice.**

**Level 7- Ski: Makes rhythmic, open stance parallel turns with pole touches.
Board: Rides all intermediate trails in control. Fine tuning carved turns and seeking more challenging terrain including bumps.**

**Level 8- Ski: Carves parallel turns on expert trails.
Board: Carves turns and is refining skills on variable snow conditions and terrain.**

**Level 9- Ski: Strong parallel skier on most terrains
Board: Can ride entire mountain in control.**

**Level 10- Ski: Skis with confidence on all terrain and any snow condition.
Board: Rides with confidence on all terrain and any snow condition.**

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6. CHALLENGE OF SKIING:

Alpine skiing is a recreational activity that continually challenges the human spirit. Natural and man-made obstacles are part of the challenge of man against the mountain and the elements, but collisions with other skiers and objects can cause permanent, catastrophic injury or death. To enjoy skiing, you must know and be willing to accept the limits of your ability. **If any student is skiing on a slope beyond their ability or a friend persuades them to ski on a slope above their ability, both will lose their skiing privileges.** This will be enforced by the instructors, ski patrolmen & club advisors. Use caution and have fun. Changing weather and snow conditions, as well as natural and man-made obstacles are part of the challenge. Snowmaking and trail grooming activities are routinely in progress on the slopes and trails, so be prepared. Your safety will be directly affected by your judgement.

Skiing also challenges your physical condition and may cause stress. Ski areas suggest a skier have a physical examination before skiing to determine whether he or she is physically capable of skiing.

While we want skiing to be a safe endeavor, injuries sometimes do occur. **The Hempfield Rec. and advisors will not be held responsible for injuries or for theft of equipment from those involved in this program.** To reduce injuries we **recommend** the students wear helmets and **require** them to ski or board with a buddy of their ability. If an accident occurs which requires hospitalization, the advisors **will not** be able to accompany the injured to the hospital. **Any necessary transportation from the hospital will be the responsibility of the parent or guardian.** When not using your equipment, its potential theft may be eliminated by locking your skis/board or checking them at Roundtop's free ski/sn.bd. check-in when in operation. Anyone bringing their own or leased equipment on our trips **must have a ski lock or plan on locking them in coin operated lockable racks at the slopes.** Discounted ski & board locks are available at **Ski Tunes Ski & Board Shop.** By signature, this disclaimer is accepted by each parent or guardian and student.

7. LIABILITY RELEASE AGREEMENT:

Roundtop Mt. Resort & the Hempfield Rec Center requires that every student enrolled in this program complete a Release Agreement when registering. This three page Release Agreement must be printed from the wiki site, completed & stapled together in the upper left hand corner. Both parent & student **MUST** sign & date this form. You should keep a copy for your records. A sample of the Release Agreement is on our Wiki site to help you complete the form.

8. MVC, NCC & Night Season Pass Photos:

You **MUST** provide Roundtop Mt. Resort with ONE of your wallet size pictures (no smaller than 1 ½" X 2") for any of the packages purchased. Paper clip the photo to your Release form (**Do not staple**). **On the back of the picture print in ink your name and Hempfield Rec.**

9. REMEMBER:

Return Student Registration, three page Release Agreement & payment with a student photo to Hempfield Rec. Center ASAP, but by Oct. 22, 2012. If these forms and check are not filled out properly, the student's reservation may be in jeopardy. Buses will be filled on a first-paid, first served basis.

The deadline for all payments & forms is Friday, Oct. 22, 2012 (late fee of \$25 after this date if space available). Checks must be made payable to HARC. There will be an **ORIENTATION meeting** for any interested students & parents to ask questions/turn in paperwork/fees on **Thurs., Oct. 4, 7:00PM at Hempfield Rec Center.** **MANDATORY meeting** for all students & parents on **Tuesday, Dec. 11 at 7:00PM at Hempfield Rec Center.**

Keep this information packet in a safe place so both parent and student may review it when necessary. For updates about trip agenda, rely on the Hempfield Rec Ski/Snowboard Wiki site.

If any students or their families need help or advice on purchasing or leasing ski or snowboard equipment, don't hesitate to call Grant Shultz at SKI TUNES during evenings at 684-6949. Ski Tunes will open on October 1st and has an EXCELLENT fleet of skis & snowboards for season leasing. Quantities are limited, don't wait, please call for hours or check our web site for more information at www.skitunesPA.com

All club members will receive a 10% club discount (5% on sale items) at SKI TUNES SKI & BOARD SHOP. Take Advantage of the Ski & Board Swap and Opening Sale October 20th & 22nd.

Thank you for reading & discussing this information with your child.
Your help is greatly appreciated!

If you have questions about any aspect of this program, please feel free to contact Laura Dalton, Ski & Snowboard Advisor, 898-3102, ext. 38, or via e-mail at ldalton@hempfieldrec.com.

Think Snow!!

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